

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A storage medium for storing software and
management software for managing said software, wherein
said management software comprises a step of
5 restoring a management state of said software.

2. The storage medium according to claim 1,
wherein
said storage medium comprises a step of storing a
10 predetermined address for connection so that the
restoration can be performed.

3. An information processing apparatus having
storage means for storing management software for
15 managing software, comprising:

means for restoring a management state of said
software; and

means for connecting to a predetermined site
through a network to restore the management state of
20 said management software by said restoring means.

4. The information processing apparatus according
to claim 3, further comprising

means for receiving information from a
25 predetermined site and storing the information.

5. An information processing apparatus,

comprising:

means for restoring a management state of
management software for managing software; and

control means for displaying a predetermined site
5 for connecting to the predetermined site through a
network to restore the management state of said
management software by said restoring means.

6. The information processing apparatus according
10 to claim 5, further comprising

selection means for restoring the management state
by said means for restoring the management state.

7. A host apparatus for communicating with an
15 information processing apparatus having means for
restoring a management state of management software for
managing software, and means for connecting to a
predetermined site to restore the management state of
the management software by said restoring means, and
20 restoring the management state of said management
software, comprising

means for transmitting information for use in
restoring the management state of said management
software in response to a request from said information
25 processing apparatus.

8. The host apparatus according to claim 7,

further comprising

means for storing information for use in restoring
a management state for plural pieces of management
software.

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9. The host apparatus according to claim 7,
further comprising

means for storing different pieces of information
for each piece of software to restore the management
state for plural pieces of application software.

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10. The host apparatus according to claim 9,
further comprising

means for displaying contents of means for storing
information for restoring the management state for
plural pieces of application software.

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